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Application No. PCT/EP99/02973:

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For: METHOD FOR CATALYSING
COMPLEX REACTIONS OF
LARGE MOLECULES USING
ENZYMES WHICH ARE BONDED
TO A POLYMER SUPPORT

Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are attached. The following is a statement regarding the non-English language document:

1. **EP-0-294-851 A2** - An English language Derwent abstract for this document is submitted with this Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

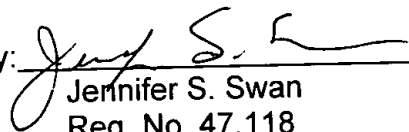
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Respectfully submitted,

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